State of Kansas

Kansas Department of Health and Environment Notice Concerning Proposed Kansas Air Quality Construction Permit and Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is soliciting comments regarding a proposed air quality construction permit. The Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA), 6300 W. 95th Street, Overland Park, KS 66212, has applied for an air quality construction permit in accordance with the provisions of K.A.R. 28-19-300 to construct and operate a new peaking electrical generation site named the Jameson Energy Center (JEC), located at 325 S. Jennie Barker Road, Garden City, KS 67846.

Emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOx), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), carbon monoxide (CO), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), particulate matter (PM), PM with a diameter less than 10 microns (PM₁₀), hazardous air pollutants (HAPs), and carbon dioxide equivalent (CO₂e) were evaluated during the permit review process.

A public comment period has been established to allow citizens the opportunity to express any concerns they may have about this proposed permitting action. The public comment period is to begin on May 30, 2013 and end at noon on July 1, 2013. All comments should be submitted in writing to Ann Spitz, Bureau of Air, 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 310, Topeka, KS 66612-1366. Written comments may also be presented at the public hearing, which is tentatively scheduled for July 8, 2013, unless the public hearing is cancelled.

Any member of the public may request that a public hearing be held to receive comments on the proposed issuance of the draft air quality construction permit. A written request to hold a public hearing should be sent to the attention of Ann Spitz at the address listed above, or by FAX to (785) 291-3953, and must be received by noon on July 1, 2013.

If a pertinent request is received, a public hearing is tentatively scheduled by the KDHE at the Garden City Community College (Joyce Fine Arts Bldg.), 801 Campus Drive, Garden City, KS 67846 on Monday, July 8, 2013 beginning at 5:00 p.m. and continuing until audience members have an opportunity to submit comments. If no pertinent requests to hold the public hearing are received by noon on July 1, 2013, the public hearing will be cancelled. A notice of the cancellation will be posted at the KDHE website at

http://www.kdheks.gov/bar/publicnotice.html.

If a hearing is conducted, all interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity to present their views orally or by submission of written materials during the hearing. In order to give all parties an opportunity to present their views, it may be necessary to request that each participant limit oral presentations to a specific time limit.

Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public hearing and may request the proposed materials in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation must be made no later than June 28, 2013 by contacting Ann Spitz at (785) 368-6683.

Copies of the proposed permit, permit application, all supporting documentation, and all information relied upon during the permit application review process are available for public review for a period of 30 days from the date of publication during normal business hours (8:00 AM to 5:00 PM) at the KDHE, Bureau of Air (BOA), 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 310, Topeka, KS 66612-1366. A copy of the proposed permit and all supporting documents can also be reviewed at the KDHE Southwest District Office, 302 West McArtor Road, Dodge City, Kansas 67801-6098. To obtain or review the proposed permit and supporting documentation, contact Ann Spitz, (785) 368-6683, at the central office of the KDHE or Ethel Evans, (620) 356-0596 at the Southwest District Office. The standard departmental cost will be assessed for any copies requested.

These same materials are available, free of charge, at the KDHE Bureau of Air website, http://www.kdheks.gov/bar/index.html.

Robert Moser, MD, Secretary

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